



25 Annual

**FOSTER PARENT/
RELATIVE CAREGIVER'S CONFERENCE**

S E P T E M B E R 2 3 - 2 5 , 2 0 0 7

Ocean Shores, Washington

PRE CONFERENCE: SATURDAY – September 22, 2007

10:30 am – 7:00 pm Education Institute

SUNDAY – September 23, 2007

10:00 am—4:00 pm Registration

12:15 pm Conference Begins

- Welcome
- Family Spotlight—For These Are All Our Children
- KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: David Berns and David Sanders
- Casey Foundation Recognition

3:00 pm—4:30 pm Workshops • Workshops **A** (1.5 hour sessions)

4:45 pm—5:15 pm Team Competition

5:30 pm—7:15 pm Dinner • KEYNOTE SPEAKER, Gary Benton

8:00 pm Bonfire

MONDAY – September 24, 2007

7:30 am—4:00 pm Registration

8:00 am—8:30 am General Session • Children's Administration—Practice Model

8:45 am—10:15 am Workshops • Workshops **B** (1.5 hour sessions) or
• **WAFTS** Institute (3 Hours AM, 2 Hours PM)

8:45 am—12:00 pm Workshops • Workshops **D** (3 hour sessions) or
• **WAFTS** Institute (3 Hours AM) sessions

10:15 am—10:30 am Break

10:30 am—12:00 pm Workshops • Workshops **C** (1.5 hour sessions)

12:15 pm Lunch

1:15 pm General Session • Town Hall Meeting with Cheryl Stephani
• Entertainment

3:15—5:15 pm Breakouts • Regional Breakouts, or
• Continuation of **WAFTS** (2 Hours PM) sessions

5:30 pm Dinner • Entertainment

TUESDAY – September 25, 2007

7:30 am—12:00 pm Registration

8:00 am—8:30 am General Session • Cultural Changes of Children's Administration

8:45 am—10:15 am Workshops • Workshops **E** (1.5 hour sessions)

8:45 am—12:00 pm Workshops • Workshops **G** (3 hour Sessions)

10:15 am—10:30 am Break

10:30 am—12:00 pm Workshops • Workshops **F** (1.5 hour sessions)

12:15 pm—1:30 pm Closing and Box Lunch • Guest Speaker
• Regional Team Winners Announced
• Final Gift Basket Drawings
• Entertainment

Education Institute

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2007 10:30 AM TO 7:00 PM

From Early Learning to College: We all have questions from time to time about how to support the educational success of the children in our care....

- How can I help support them through school?
- How do I enroll them in a preschool program?
- How do I best work with their school?
- They might have special education needs; how do I get help?
- What options do youth have after high school?
- How can I support them in college?

If you are asking questions like these and want to learn more about helping your child succeed in school, you are on the road to education advocacy.

The Education Institute will provide you with the tools and knowledge to help you better understand how to work with the education system and what is expected of students from preschool through high school and beyond. This training will cover topics such as roles and responsibilities of caregivers and social workers, early childhood development and learning discipline, how to access special education services and how best to prepare and support youth for education opportunities after high school.

The institute will offer ideas on developing good learning habits at any age, with tips on how to encourage, trouble shoot, and advocate for your child or youth whether they are just beginning school or in their final year. Participants will also receive in-depth information on the many resources and support services available to help youth plan for and succeed in college.

The first 100 caregivers to register will receive full scholarships for both the Education Institute and the Caregiver Conference. Scholarships cover the cost of conference registration, meals and lodging.

Sessions

Session 1 Early Learning

The earliest years of a child's life are the most crucial in establishing a base for learning and development. The pace of a child's growth depends on whether the child's eagerness to learn is stimulated by her or his environment. This fun and interactive session will provide caregivers with the foundation for a holistic approach to early learning and child development.

Session 2 Postsecondary Education

For all youth in out-of-home care, completion of high school and access to post-secondary educational opportunities such as college or vocational training are critical to their success as adults. This session will provide participants with the tools and resources they need to support the youth in their care through high school and into college or other training opportunities. Participants will also learn about the many educational resources and opportunities available to assist foster youth in their pursuit of post-secondary education and training.

A G E N D A

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2007

(Clock Hours Available)

10:30–11:30 Registration

11:30–12:45 Lunch

1:00–3:00 General Education Advocacy Session

3:15–5:00 Sessions
Session 1 Early Learning
Session 2 Postsecondary Education

5:30–7:00 Dinner

WAFTS Institute

MONDAY 8:45 AM to 12:00 PM and 3:15 PM to 5:15 PM

Washington Association of Family-Based Treatment Services
Three 5 Hour Classes – Choose One

This institute will provide participants with an in depth, intensive experience in workshops pertaining to family-based treatment foster care. Each of the workshops will consist of experiential training that will be immediately applicable in your work with children and families.

All workshops are certified through the Central Washington University Office of Continuing Education and meet Washington Department of Health and continuing education requirements for certified social workers, mental health counselors and marriage and family therapists. **To obtain credit, all five hours of training MUST be attended.**

WAFTS – 1 Verbal De-Escalation – Keeping Everyone Safe

Mark Richards-Wetzel, Foster Home Recruiter, YMCA Greater Seattle

Learn techniques to defuse and avoid volatile situations. Increase your skills in listening, observation, and how to overcome barriers to conflict resolution.

WAFTS – 2 Reconciliation and Reunification (R&R) for the Foster Child

Kendra L. Cook, Vocational and Life Coach, KenCo Communications WAFTS

The child's best interests and stable placements are served by positive foster-birth family relationships. Come learn collaboration strategies for the creation and maintenance of positive working relationship with the birth family.

WAFTS – 3 Taking Care of Ourselves: Self Care for the Caregiver

Wendy Warman, LICSW, Adoptions, DSHS Children's Administration

Examine the causes and results of stress and change while learning what individuals can do to minimize the negative impact and maximize the positive impact of stressful events.

Our Mission

The Washington Association of Family-based Treatment Services (WAFTS) provides a voice for private agency foster care providers, which it has done for nearly 20 years. WAFTS advocates for the recognition, support, and enhancement of family-based treatment for children and adolescents, and for quality foster care.

WAFTS Profile - Who are we? What do we do?

As a grassroots organization, WAFTS has worked to professionalize Treatment and Therapeutic Foster Parents, and to assist the private agencies supporting them. WAFTS has helped them to meet and exceed state and national standards for Treatment and Therapeutic Foster Care and Family Preservation Services.

WAFTS collaborates with public and private agencies in meeting these goals. In 1998, WAFTS teamed with the Mental Health Division, and sponsored the first Treatment Foster Care Conference. WAFTS has continued to provide trainings to meet the demands of treatment foster care providers, and the agencies that support them.

WAFTS provides professional trainings for foster care providers, social workers, and mental health professionals at the annual Foster Care Conference. Those trainings are the only trainings at the conference that are accredited for CEU's (Continuing Education Units) by Central Washington University. WAFTS has also provided those same accredited trainings regionally at WAFTS Institutes. WAFTS also provides local trainings for foster care providers, social workers and mental health professionals.

WAFTS holds quarterly providers meetings throughout the state to support and encourage providers to discuss regional issues concerning family-based treatment services, and to develop ways that WAFTS can assist those providers.

In keeping with WAFTS goal of meeting the needs of care providers and agencies supporting them, the WAFTS Board of Directors is composed of experienced private foster care providers, agency staff, supervisors and administrators representing all areas of Washington, urban and rural, east and west.

Workshops A

SUNDAY 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (1.5 Hour Workshops)

A – 1 The Foster Care Experience: A Youth's Perspective

Rick Butt, IL Program Manager, DSHS Children's Administration
Panel members from Passion to Action

Youth from CA's statewide advisory board will provide their unique perspective about how caregivers can help foster youth transition to adulthood, adolescent services, the voice of foster youth in child welfare policy and practice and the role of Youth Advisory Board.

A – 2 Welcome to the Foster-Adopt Roller Coaster

Karen Grove, Foster Care Supervisor, Tacoma Youth for Christ

Foster-adopt parents will be given valuable advice and tools designed to help them survive the stomach-churning ups and downs of foster care. This presentation will provide useful tips for maintaining sanity and encouraging children when the future is uncertain.

A – 3 Are You Listening?

Jim Zingelmann, Family Team Decision Meeting Program Manager, DSHS Children's Administration

Listening is an art, a skill and discipline that requires self-control, effort and caring. Come learn basic skills and techniques that can enhance communication and general well-being.

A – 4 Investigating Child Abuse/Neglect

Chris Parvin, Division of Licensing Resources, DSHS Children's Administration
Renata Rhodes, Division of Licensing Resources, DSHS Children's Administration

An in-depth review of the referral process, investigative time frames, findings and preventive measures for child abuse and neglect in licensed facilities will be provided by these two experts in the subject. Frequently asked questions will be answered and common misconceptions about DLR/CPS will be dispelled.

A – 5 Kinship Care in Washington State/Relatives Raising Children

Carolyn Jones, Program Manager, DSHS Children's Administration
Shelly Willis, Executive Director, Family Education and Support Services

This introductory workshop will examine the work of the Children's Administration in light of the changing roles, of unlicensed kinship caregivers. Learn about navigating through the CA system to benefit your role as a caregiver.

A – 6 Foster Parent Reimbursement Program

Cheryl Rich, Constituent Relations Supervisor, DSHS Children's Administration

Learn some important tips about the various reimbursements available to foster parents, the limits of the program and ways to navigate through the submission requirements. As a bonus, participants will hear about the complaint resolution process and the Constituent Relations program.

A – 7 Transitioning Youth into Adulthood: Collaboration for Success

Deborah Wigen, Masters in Social Work, DSHS Children's Administration
Kara Rice, Social Worker, DSHS Children's Administration

Federal outcomes regarding youth from care are often bleak. Hear about a framework for planning for the transition to adulthood.

Partners for Conference Workshops

American Red Cross
 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Thurston County
 Caregivers
 Casey Family Programs
 Children's Administration
 College Success Foundation
 Community Youth Services
 Department of Early Learning
 Divisions of Employment and Assistance Programs
 Family Education and Support Services
 Families Like Ours
 Government and Communications
 Mockingbird Society
 Northwest Media
 Passion to Action
 Quinault Family Services
 Tacoma Youth for Christ
 Washington Association of Family-Based Treatment Services (WAFTS)
 Washington State University
 World Association for Children and Parents
 YMCA

Children's Administration Mission

The mission of the Children's Administration is first to protect abused and neglected children, to support the efforts of families to care for and parent their own children safely, and to provide quality care and permanent families for children in partnership with parents and kin, Tribes, foster parents and communities.

Workshops B

MONDAY 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM (1.5 Hour Workshops)

B – 8 Picture This: Life Book Tips

Linda Bales, Foster Parent Co-Trainer

Lifebooks are a piece of history in a child's hand. Learn how to be a child's historian. This is easy and fun even for the non-scrapbooker.

B – 9 Does Online Training Really Work?

Susan Larson, Marketing Director, Northwest Media

Penny Michel, Masters in Social Work, DSHS Children's Administration

Discover the many benefits of online training with Foster Parent College. Instant access to help learn about dealing with difficult child behavior problems, emotional disorders, and parenting strategies. Online training can be affordable.

B – 10 Mockingbird Family Model: Innovative Caregiver Support

Dr. Wanda Hackett, Program Manager, Mockingbird Society

Hear how the Mockingbird Family Model supports caregiver development and retention, child/youth permanence, maintenance of sibling connections, and placement stability. Repeat as E-31.

B – 11 Siblings Forever: Maintaining Sibling Relationships

DeDe Dessau, Social Worker III, DSHS Children's Administration

Learn from a CA social worker who was a foster child about the importance of supporting sibling relationships. Strategies for working with DCFS and the biological family to maintain these relationships will be discussed.

B – 12 The Importance of Male Caregivers in a Child's Life

Howard Winkler, Parent Educator and Child Advocate

Bernie Dorsey, Speaker, Author and Creator of Fathering vs. Father

This presentation will focus on a discussion on men taking a role in becoming students of child development, the importance of male caregivers, and the sharing of experiences and challenges.

B – 13 Cultural Needs of the Children in Our Care

Panel Presentation

Did you know that some youth require special hair and skin care products? This presentation will focus on unique needs of youth in your care. Repeated as E-32.

B – 14 Quinault Family

Alaina Capoeman, Quinault Family Services Manager

Indian Child Welfare in the Quinault Indian Nation will be examined and discussed. The presentation will focus on culturally appropriate care within the historical background specific to the tribe.

Workshops C

MONDAY 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (1.5 Hour Workshops)

C – 15 Creating Lifetime Keepsakes, Make and Take

Patience Jones, Social Worker III, DSHS Children's Administration

Tamara Graybeal, Social Worker III, DSHS Children's Administration

Trisha Woodward, Social Worker III, DSHS Children's Administration

Andrea Leach, Social Worker III, DSHS Children's Administration

Learn fun, easy and inexpensive ways to protect a child's history. Scrapbooking and other techniques will be demonstrated and practiced.

Supplies needed: glue stick and scissors. Photos optional.

REPEAT as F-38.

C – 16 Adapting to Adoption: Foster and Adoptive Family Differences

Claire Scranton, US Kids Program Coordinator, World Association for Children and Parents.

Hear about the differences between foster and adoptive families, common areas of misunderstanding and ways to capitalize on the strengths of an adoptive family.

C – 17 Winning at Parenting

Shelly Willis, Executive Director, Family Education and Support Services

Explore child development along with parenting styles and philosophies, learn how to increase family communication, manage stress and maintain a healthy home environment, and discuss spanking and discipline alternatives.

C – 18 Support for Foster and Relative Families

Paul Johnson, Program Manager/Social Worker, Friends of Youth

Panel Members

Are you overwhelmed, frustrated, burned out, almost out of control, depressed, close to defeat? Learn how Friends of Youth provides support, encouragement, and training for foster parents and relative caretakers.

C – 19: Talking With an Adopted Child about Adoption

Sharon Neigel, Masters in Social Work, DSHS Children's Administration

Angela Langseth-Bostwick, MA Licensed MH Counselor

Learn about typical adoptee loss and grief issues, and how to begin a conversation with an adopted child about their family or origin. Non-judgmental ways will be shared and discussed on how to talk to children about their birth family history.

C – 20 Solution Based Casework – The New Clinical Practice Model

Chris Robinson, Practice Model Co-director, DSHS Children's Administration

Tammy Cordova, Practice Model Co-Director, DSHS Children's Administration

Hear about Children's Administration newly adopted practice model – Solution Based Casework (SBC). The impact and benefits of SBC on field staff, families and caregivers will be discussed.

C – 21 We Are! GLBTQ

Marianne Ozmun, Program Manager, DSHS Children's Administration

Jeanne McShane, Masters of Social Work, DSHS Children's Administration

Watch and discuss this award winning film about the experiences of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth in foster care. Gain valuable information and resources to help support GLBTQ youth in care.

Workshops D

MONDAY 8:45 AM - 12:00 PM (3 Hour Workshops)

D – 22 The Changes in Children: The Unique Things They Bring with Them.

Gary Benton, Keynote Speaker and Director of Member Care, Life Center

Children bring challenges; Caregivers have challenges; and Your Home Environment can change. Presentation will discuss the challenges, the explanation, and the management of physical behaviors, emotional development, and the grief and loss of the children in care.

D – 23 Engaging Adolescents

Jim Theofelis, Executive Director, Mockingbird Society

Relationship building, verbal de-escalation and behavioral motivation skills development will be reviewed. Material presented will include developmental strategies and the impact of trauma.

D – 24 Keeping Your Children Healthy

Roy Sims, Medical Doctor

Children's Administration Medical Personnel Panel

A panel of physicians who care for children in foster care and provide medical consultation to CA will discuss oral health, brain development, immunizations, psychotropic medication use in children, bed wetting, incontinence, and obesity.

D – 25 (WAFTS) Wrap-Around Services and Your Child

Valeda Garside, MEd, LMHC, CMHS, Program Director

Judy Szpak, MA, CHMS, Child and Family Therapist

Mike Schloss, MA, CHMS, Family Support Specialist

Kathy Bigelow, Therapeutic Foster Parent

Many mental health agencies are adopting wrap-around models that provide services to children with mental health issues. A panel will discuss how to find out about wrap-around services, what they look like and how to advocate for those services. A question and answer period will be provided.



Workshops E

TUESDAY 8:45 AM to 10:15 AM (1.5 Hour Workshops)

E – 26 Finding Support Through the Annual Self-Assessment

Randy Roberts, Licensing Program Manager, Division of Licensing Resources, DSHS Children's Administration

Penny Michel, Masters in Social Work, DSHS Children's Administration

Here is an inside look at how the Division of Licensed Resources reviews your information and builds the Annual Development Plans to better assist you in caring for children.

E – 27 Foster Care to College Mentoring Program

Molly Robertson, FCTC Mentoring Program Coordinator, Community Youth Services

Hear how Foster Care to College Mentoring Program supports foster youth in transitioning to college/trade school. The role of foster parent/caregivers, program specifics and how to become a mentor will be reviewed.

E – 28 Mentoring Youth in Foster Care

Tom Pennella, Deputy Director, Washington State Mentors

Roger Jones, Executive Director, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Thurston County

Becky Smith, Area Administrator, DSHS Children's Administration

The Mentoring Youth in Foster Care Programs is unprecedented in Washington State and is one of a few in the nation. This presentation will inform caregivers about the power of mentoring and its potential in the lives of foster youth.

E – 29 Preparing Your Family for Disaster

Sarah Scott, Preparedness Specialist, American Red Cross

Tiea Tobey, Volunteer, American Red Cross

Learn the three main steps for preparing your family for disasters and emergencies: making a family disaster plan, building your family disaster kit and being informed.

E – 30 Foster Youth Speak-Out, Advocate and Change Lives

Nijja Morris, Youth LEAD Coordinator, Mockingbird Society

Jamica Henderson, Youth Alumna, Mockingbird Society

Panel Members – Melissa Stringer, Samuel Martin

This youth-led workshop focuses on how to develop a successful exit-care plan. Learn from a youth speaker's panel how youth can be effective advocates.

E – 31 Caregiver & Kids Connecting Through Clay

Carolyn Jones, Program Manager, DSHS Children's Administration

Red WingCloud, Masters of Social Work, Intern

Come participate in this hands-on workshop for caregivers wanting to work therapeutically with children through clay.

E – 32 Mockingbird Family Model: Innovative Caregiver Support

Dr. Wanda Hackett, Program Manager, Mockingbird Society

Repeat of B-10.

E – 33 Cultural Needs of the Children in Our Care

Panel Presentation

Repeat of B-13

Workshops F

Tuesday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (1.5 Hour Workshops)

F – 34 Post Adoption Services

Lonnie Locke, Program Manager, DSHS Children's Administration

Interactive exercises will help adoptive parents learn about the benefits and limitations of post adoption services.

F – 35 College Success (Make it Happen)

Mary Herrick, Foster Care Programs Assistant, College Success Foundation
TBA – Alumni Trainer, College Success Foundation

Alumni from the College Success foundation will discuss their educational journeys, focusing on both challenges and successes, as well as the benefits of having a mentor.

F – 36 Foster parents as Mentors for Birth Parents

Peggy Devoy, Social Worker III, DLR, DSHS Children's Administration
Ross Brown, Social Worker III, DCFS, DSHS Children's Administration
Pam Hongel and Lori Brown, Foster Parents

Foster parents possess unique skills and experiences that can be pivotal in helping families to reunify and children to find permanent homes. Learn how the Parent Mentoring program works.

F – 37 Services to Improve Child Well-Being

Panel Presentation by DSHS Children's Administration

Mental health, early learning/education issues, and health issues, including Medicaid Personal Care, for foster children will be reviewed by a panel of CA program managers. Time for questions and answers is included.

F – 38 Mental Health Among Youth in Foster Care

Peter Pecora, Senior Director – Research Services, Casey Family Program
Anne Havalchak, Research Specialist, Casey Family Programs

The Casey Field Office Mental Health Study findings on the mental health status of youth in foster care will be discussed.

F – 40 Healthy Habits for Healthy Kids!

Zena Edwards, MS, RD, Food Safety and Nutrition Faculty, WSU, Thurston County Extension

Basic, practical and helpful tips to help caregivers create an environment that encourages healthy eating and physical activity for children.

F – 41 Living the Dream: Recruitment and Retention Strategies

Brian Cox, Family to Family Coordinator, DSHS Children's Administration
Peggy Hays, Family to Family Coordinator, DSHS Children's Administration

Learn how to visually see neighborhoods from where children are removed and where they are placed. Apply this program to recruit and retain homes in your area to produce better outcomes for children using "Streets and Trips" software and the Family To Family model.

F – 42 Parent/Child/Sibling Visiting: The Caregivers Role

Carrie Kendig, Masters of Social Work, DSHS Children's Administration

Learn how the new parent/child/sibling visitation policy shifts social work practice and what the research says about visits, timely permanency and stability in care. The caregiver's role before, during and after visits will be reviewed

Workshops G

Tuesday 8:45 AM to 12:00 PM (3 Hour Workshops)

G – 43 Supporting Relative Caregivers State Financial Services and Benefits

Sheri Bruu-Deleon, Program Manager, Department of Early Learning
Nancy Koptur Division of Child Support
BJ Bailey, Program Manager, Division of Employment and Assistance Programs

Come learn what services (financial and others) that may be available to relative caregivers through DSHS. These services may provide assistance to children and youth in your care.

G – 44 Well-Being of Native Children in Out-of-Home Care

Karla Braskett, ICW.CWS Supervisor, DSHS Children's Administration
Cherokee Screechowl, CWS Supervisor/ICW Unit, DSHS Children's Administration

Here's everything you wanted to know about Native American children but were afraid to ask. Can native children have permanency? What does that look like?

G – 45 SAFE: Care for GLBTQ

David Wing-Kovarik, Executive Director, Families Like Ours
Laurie Mayer, Adoption Social Worker, DSHS Children's Administration

A panel of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (GLBTQ) youth and families in the foster care system will introduce the SAFE program and its relation to the needs of this population. The panel will also address your questions.



SPECIAL THANK YOU to art student
Alyson Keeley
For the cover design of this brochure

Scholarships

Unlicensed relatives and licensed caregiver providers are invited to apply and are eligible for a scholarship to the 2007 Foster Parent/Relative Caregivers Conference. This Scholarship fund is available to support you to attend this educational training conference. *(DSHS, CA and Private Agency Staff are not eligible for the scholarship.)*

What does the scholarship cover?

The scholarship covers the conference registration fee, meal costs, and lodging for the entire conference.

When is my application due?

You must complete and return the registration form by mail, fax or online by 5:00 PM August 3, 2007, to be eligible to receive a scholarship.

When will I be notified?

Each applicant requesting a scholarship will be notified by August 10, 2007, if they received a scholarship or if they have been placed on the waiting list.

What if I am on the waitlist for a scholarship?

By September 5, 2007, the waiting list applicants will be notified if there has been a cancellation and they have received a scholarship.

If I don't get a scholarship, can I still attend?

Yes, you will have to pay for your conference fee and lodging.

How do I apply?

The attached registration form is your application for a scholarship or register free of charge online.

What if I have to cancel?

If you cannot attend and have a scholarship, please notify us before September 1, 2007 at the conference phone, fax or email. We want to be able to offer the scholarship funding to another foster parent, adoptive parent or relative (unlicensed or licensed).

What about children?

We hope that foster parents, adoptive parents and relative caregivers take this valuable time to focus on a respite for them self and to concentrate on the informative workshops, training and networking opportunities available at the conference. Children are welcome but there will be no child care available at the conference.

Special Note for Adoptive Parents:

If you did not receive a scholarship and if you are an adoptive parent receiving adoption support, please contact your Adoption Support Program Manager to find out if you can be pre-approved to receive reimbursement for registration, travel and per diem to attend the Conference. Reimbursement or pre-approval applies to only one training per year.

Questions: Nancy Rowswell, 360-902-7917, rown300@dshs.wa.gov

Questions about scholarships?

Contact:

Nikki Plaid, 206-782-5450
or nikki@mcwevents.com

R E G I S T E R O N L I N E

NEW!

Online Registration is available at:

<http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/ca/fosterparents/>

Hotels and Reservations

You are responsible for making your own hotel reservations. Hotel check in times can vary so verify times when you make your reservations.

Holiday Inn Express

685 Ocean Shores Boulevard NW
Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Reservations: 360-289-4900

Conference Rate Available until 9/01/07

Shilo Inn

707 Ocean Shores Boulevard NW
Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Reservations: 800-222-2244

Email: www.shiloinns.com

Conference rate Available until 8/23/07

Ocean Shores Quality Inn

773 Ocean Shores Boulevard NW
Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Reservations: 360-289-2040

Conference Rate Available until 8/23/07

Ramada Hotel & Resort at Ocean Shores

845 Ocean Shores Boulevard NW
Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Reservations: 866-671-7700 or 360-289-7700

Conference Rate Available until 9/02/07

Comfort Inn and Suites

829 Ocean Shores Boulevard NW
Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Reservations: 360-289-9000

Conference Rate Available until 9/1/07

Canterbury Inn

643 Ocean Shores Boulevard NW
Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Reservations: 800-562-6678

Conference Rate Available until 9/1/07

CONFERENCE LOCATION

OCEAN SHORES CONVENTION CENTER

120 W. Chance A La Mer Ave.
OCEAN SHORES, WA
800.874.6737

<http://www.oceanshoresconventioncenter.com>

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DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Ocean Shores is located 70 miles from Olympia



Convenient maps can be found on line:

<http://www.oceanshoresconventioncenter.com/location.aspx>

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

Register Online:

<http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/ca/fosterparents/>

Register by Fax:

206-328-2074

Register by Mail:

Conference Registration
1752 NW Market Street
606
Seattle, WA 98107

- PRINT or TYPE your name as it should appear on your name badge
- Confirmation letters will be emailed or mailed to the address in the "Registrant Information" section.
- To avoid misdirection of your mail, if you list your home address, do not include your institution/organization.
- All DSHS, CA, and Private Agency Staff are not eligible for scholarships.

25TH ANNUAL FOSTER PARENT /RELATIVE CAREGIVER'S CONFERENCE

REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

REGISTRANT PREFERENCES

Please check all categories that apply to you:

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|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Parent | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoptive Parent | <input type="checkbox"/> Relative Caregiver | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Agency Caregiver |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment Parent | <input type="checkbox"/> DSHS Staff (non CA) | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Agency Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference Committee Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presenter | <input type="checkbox"/> CA Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal member | <input type="checkbox"/> Unlicensed Caregiver |

Years in primary role: _____

Special Needs - please select all that apply (by 8/31):

- ☐ Interpreter Services ☐ Type: _____ ☐ Other Needs _____

I am applying for a scholarship (*Refer to Scholarship Information on page 8*): ☐ yes ☐ no

If I do not receive a scholarship, I would like to be placed on the waitlist: ☐ yes ☐ no

I am registering for Education Institute (*page 2*): ☐ yes ☐ no

I am registering for Education Institute AND conference (*page 2*): ☐ yes ☐ no

PACKAGE SELECTION *If you are applying for a scholarship, do not fill this section out.*

Package Selection - please select one:

- ☐ **Package A** - Registration and All Meals – \$180.00
- ☐ **Package B** - One Day Registration/Meals – \$90.00
- Choose one: ☐ Sunday ☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday



WORKSHOPS - Please choose one session from each time slot that you plan to attend. If selecting any of the WAFTS sessions, do not select any Workshops B-D:

This information is only for assigning meeting room space and does not guarantee admittance. Workshop admittance is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Workshop A Sunday 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	WAFTS Monday 8:45 am - 3:15 pm	Workshop B Monday 8:45 am - 10:15 am	Workshop C Monday 10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Workshop D Monday 8:45 am - 12:00 pm	Workshop E Tuesday 8:45 am - 10:15 pm	Workshop F Tuesday 10:30 pm - 12:00 pm	Workshop G Tuesday 8:45 pm - 12:00 pm
<input type="checkbox"/> A-1	<input type="checkbox"/> WAFTS 1	<input type="checkbox"/> B-8	<input type="checkbox"/> C-15	<input type="checkbox"/> D-22	<input type="checkbox"/> E-26	<input type="checkbox"/> F-34	<input type="checkbox"/> G-43
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- ☐ CREDIT CARD PAYMENT: ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ American Express
- Card # _____ Exp. Date _____
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